



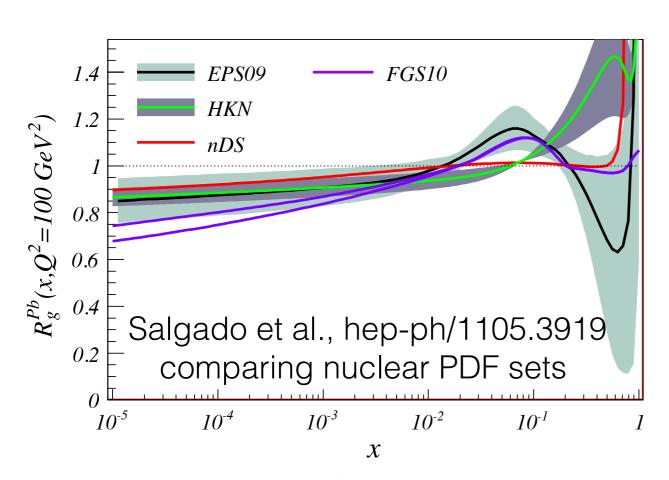
Reconstructed jet probes of small and large systems with the PHENIX detector

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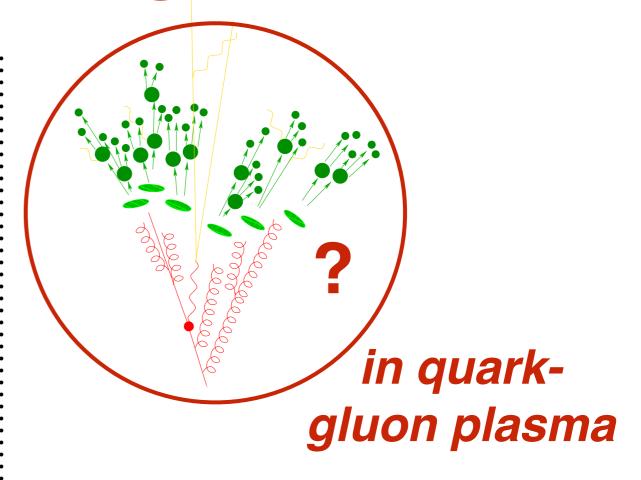
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Jets in small and large systems

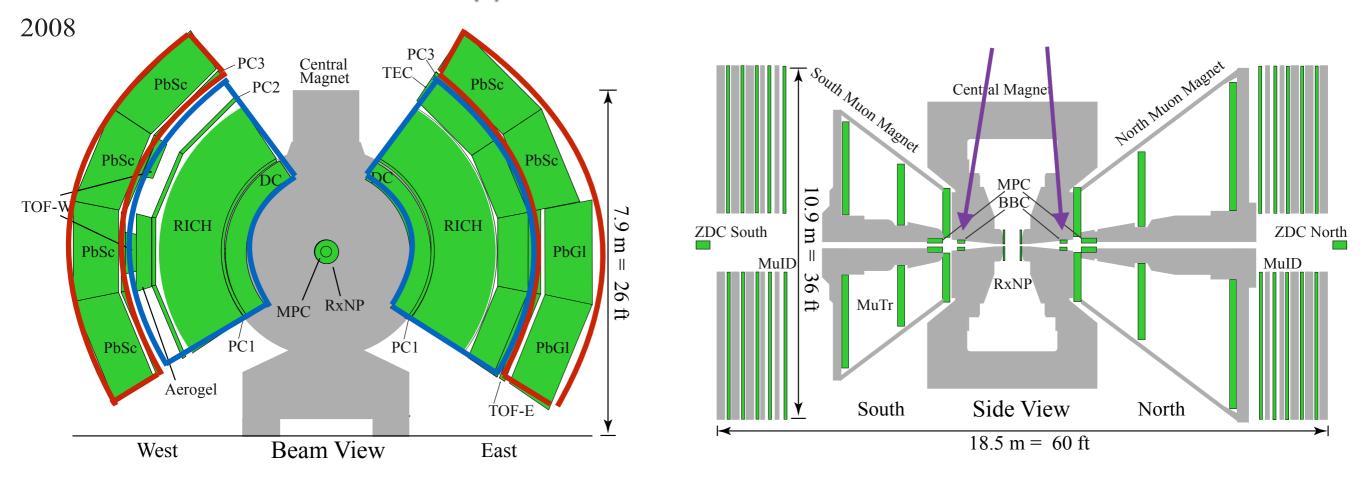


- Benchmark of jet production in nuclear environment
- Given collective signatures, search for "QGP"-like energy loss?
 - → see talk by J. Orjuela-Koop



- Parton shower develops in evolving QGP medium
 - → internally-generated, multi-scale probe of QGP properties

PH#ENIX detector



- Drift & pad chambers for measuring charged-particle tracks
 - \rightarrow both subsystems cover $|\eta| < 0.35$, with two $\Delta \phi = \pi/2$ Arms
- Electromagnetic calorimeters with ≈18λ (PbSc) or ≈14λ (PbGl)
- Beam-beam counters (2.1 < $|\eta|$ < 3.8) provide MB event definition and centrality classification
- Online hardware-based trigger on energy deposit in EMCal

Analysis overview

- Cluster EMCal energy deposits + charged-particle tracks
 - → jet core required to be away from detector edge
 - → strict run-level, particle-level, jet-level QA to ensure good measurement of jet energy
- GEANT simulation of detector response & embedding into minimum-bias HI data events
- Capture ≈0.65-0.70 of jet momentum on average
 - → 25%"resolution" from fluctuations in (mostly unmeasured) neutral hadronic component
 - → correct spectra *for detector effects* with unfolding

Jet results from PHENIX

- **d+Au** and **p+p** jet spectra (2008 data)
 - → Phys. Rev. Lett. 116 (2016) 122301





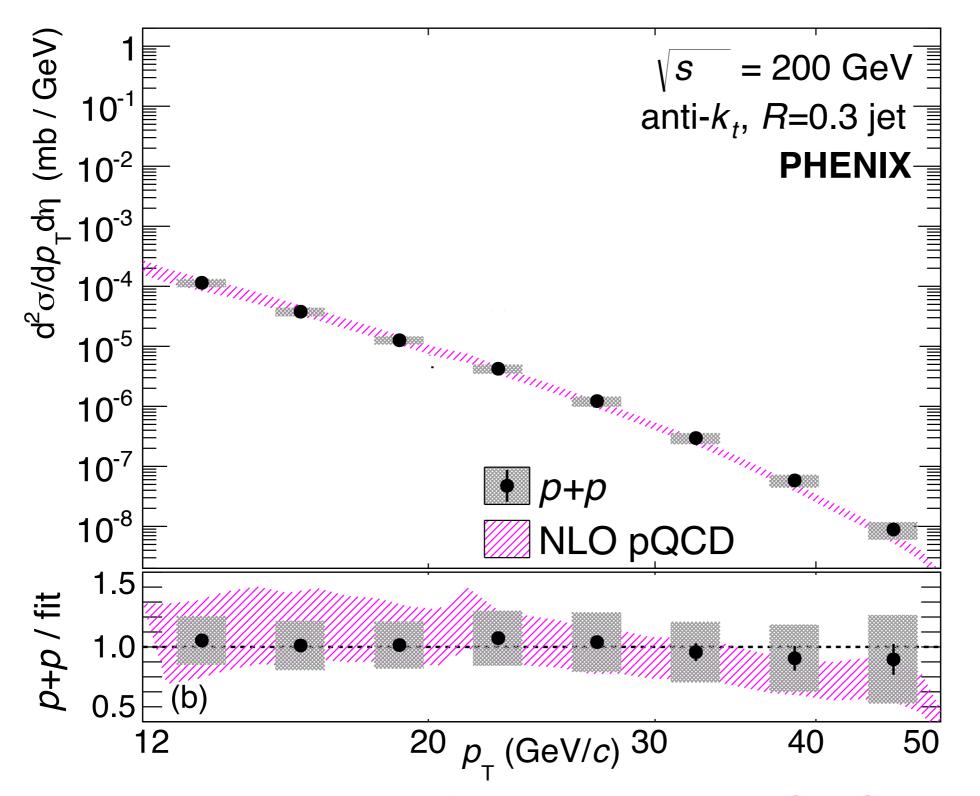
- → R=0.3 anti-k_t algorithm, <u>establish pQCD and cold</u> <u>nuclear matter baseline</u>
- Cu+Au and p+p jet spectra (2012 data)







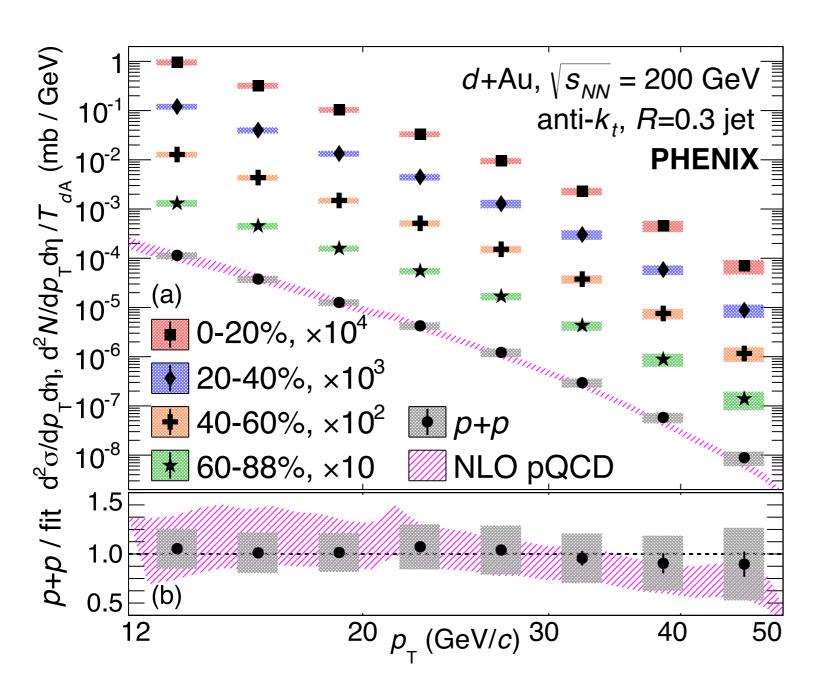
Jet spectra in p+p collisions

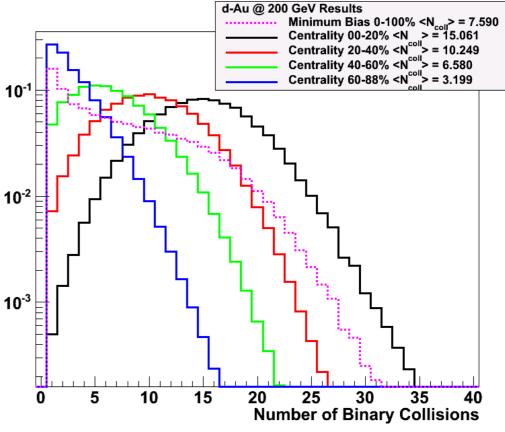


NLOJET++
w/
NNPDF2.3
and
hadronization
corrections
from Pythia

- p+p spectra: compare favorably with NLO pQCD calculation
 - → validates jet reconstruction & correction procedure

Jet yields in d+Au

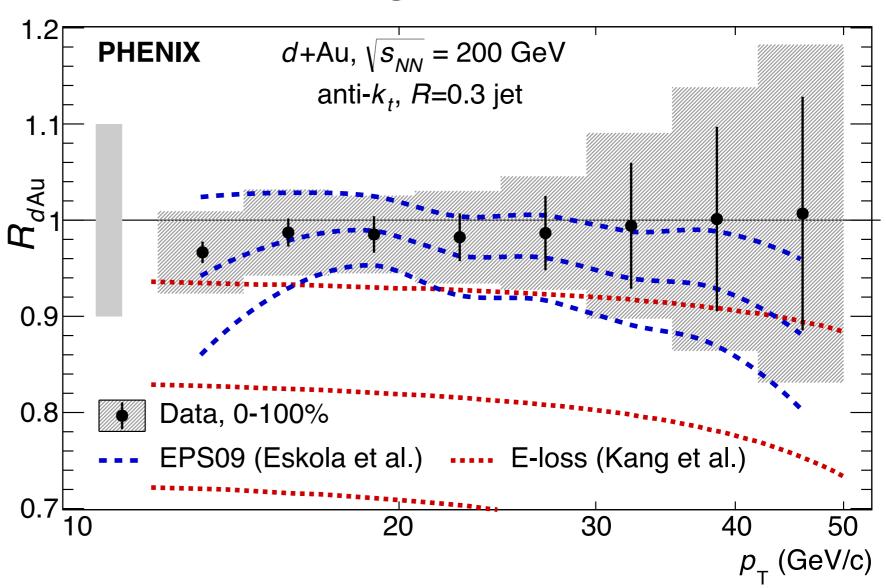




- Centrality from with Au-going beam-beam counter (-3.8 < η < -2.1) signal
- First measurement of jet production in asymmetric systems at RHIC
- successful with previous hard and soft observables

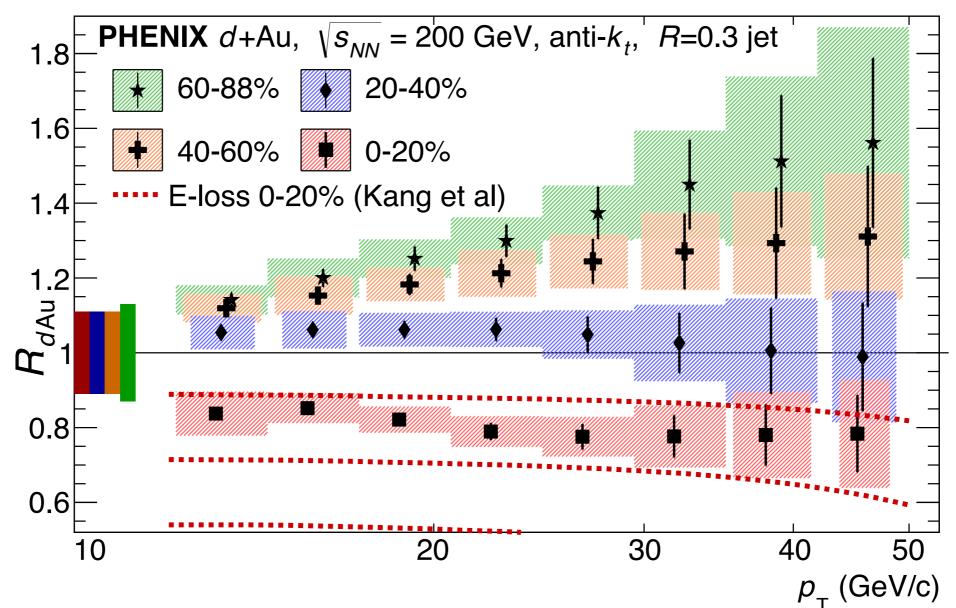
Minimum bias jet rate

 $R_{dAu} = dN^{d+Au}/dp_T$ / $T_{dA} \times d\sigma^{p+p}/dp_T$

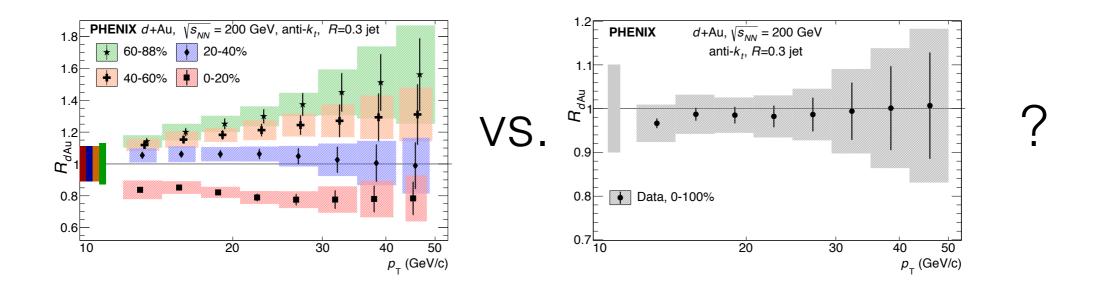


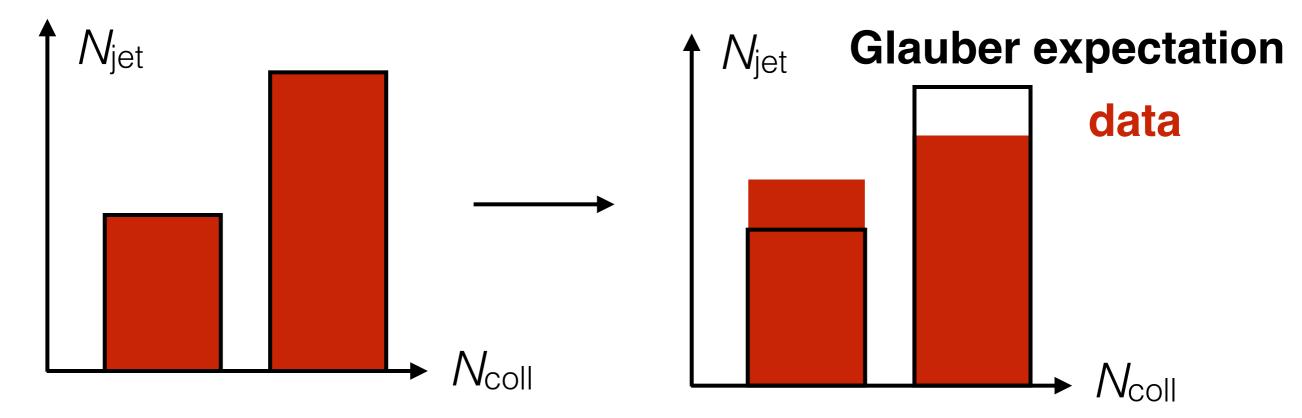
- In centrality-integrated collisions, $R_{dAu} = 1$
 - → consistent with global nuclear PDF analyses (EPS09)
 - → within an initial state E-loss calculation, favors only small parton ↔ nuclear material momentum transfer

Centrality-selected jet rate



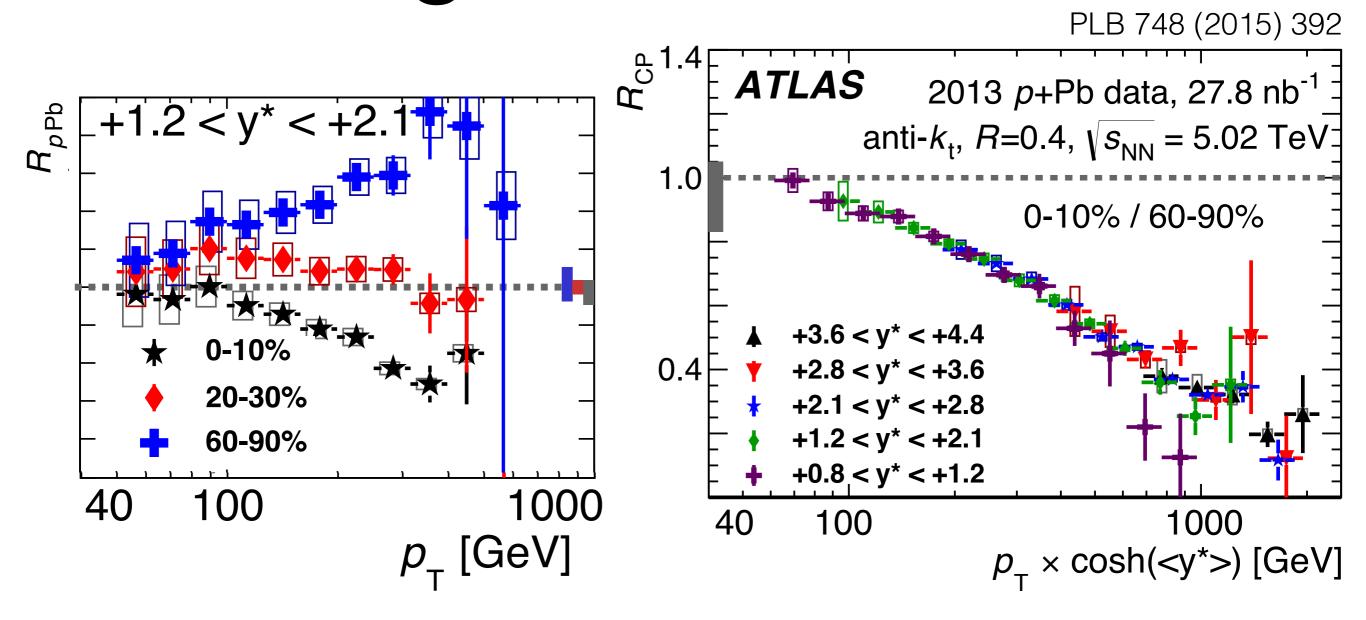
- Suppression of jet rate in **central 0-20%** (large N_{coll}) events
 - → comparable with initial state E-loss calculation?
- Enhancement in 40-60% and 60-88% (small N_{coll}) events
 - → very challenging to explain within existing frameworks... 9





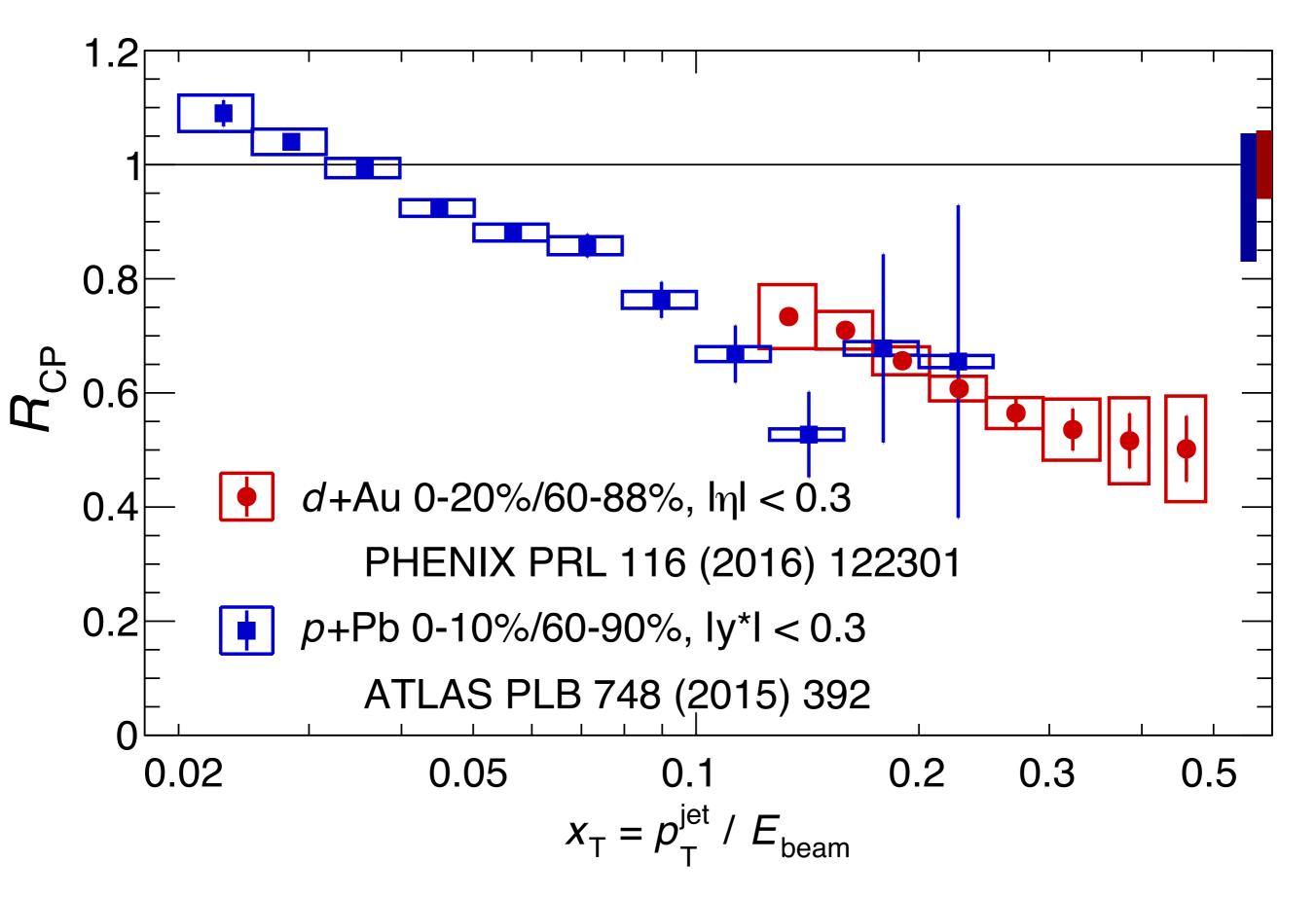
- Occam's razor: <u>jet production unmodified</u>, but <u>multiplicity</u> <u>in Au-going direction is modified in jet events</u>
 - \rightarrow e.g. jet events merely re-rearranged in centrality, so minimum-bias $R_{dAu} = 1$ by construction

Analogous LHC results



Same modification pattern, in the same Bjorken-*x* range

Modifications scale with proton-x and do not depend on nuclear-x...



Common "initial state" proton-x effect at RHIC and the LHC?

Proton spatial configurations

$$|\Psi_{proton}\rangle = (3q) + (3q+g) + (3q+\pi) + ...$$
 $|\Psi_{proton}; large x\rangle \approx (3q)$
DVP, B. Cole, M. Strikman,

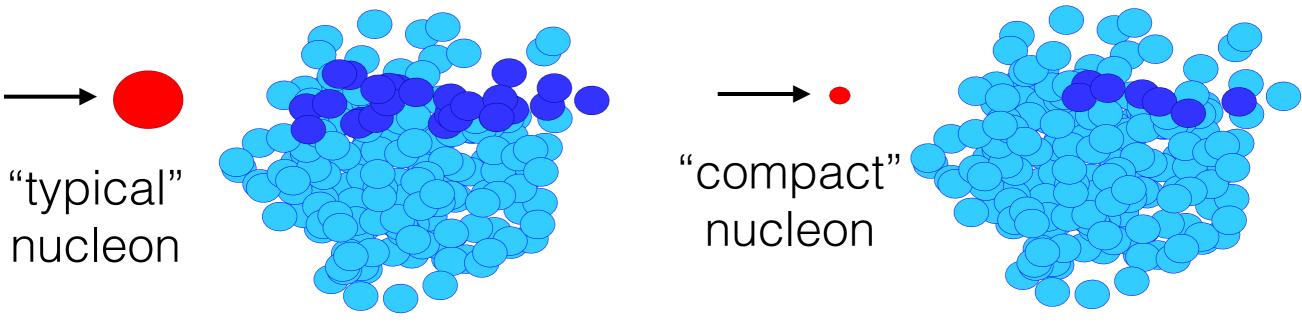
- One idea: this is a consequence of proton color fluctuations at collider energies
 - → correlation between *spatial* and *momentum* structure

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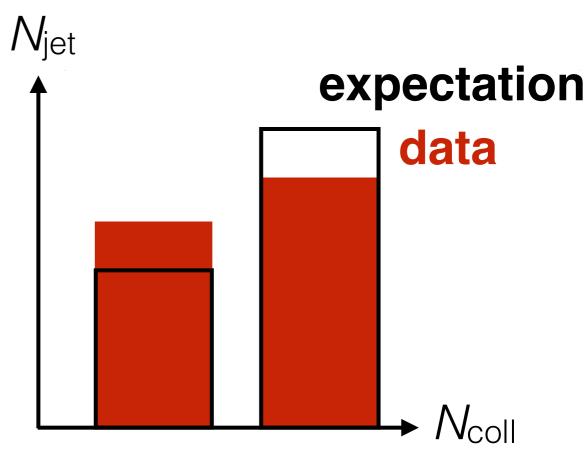
→ configurations with a high-x parton (≥0.1) are "small": fewer other partons, smaller transverse size, etc.

See also Bzdak et al. hep-ph/1408.3156, Armesto et al. PLB 747 (2015) 441₁₃

Geometric interpretation

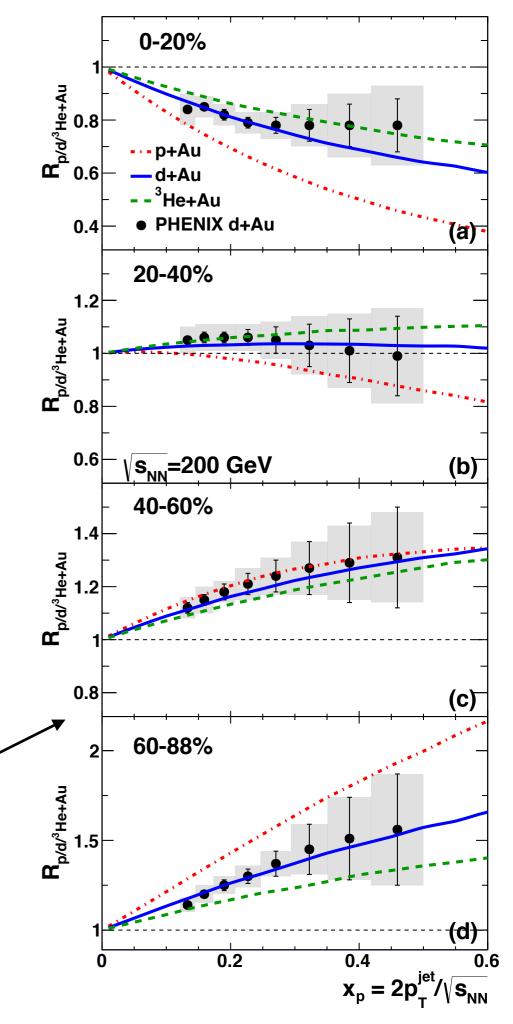


compact, large-*x* proton configurations strike fewer nucleons

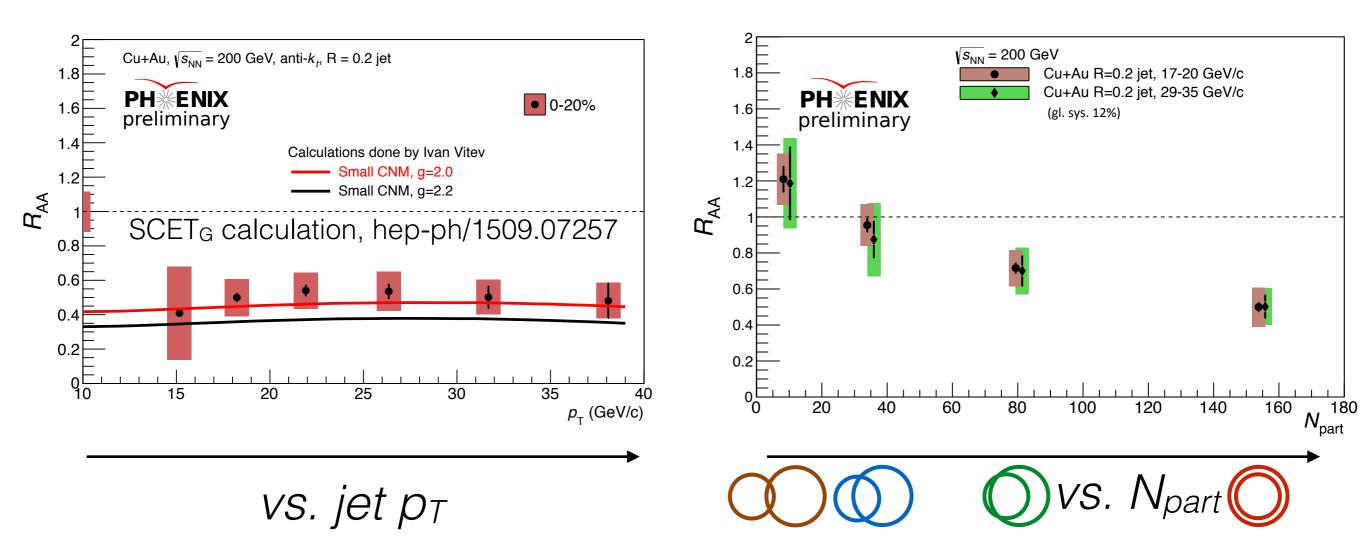


Projectile-species dependence

- Explore these effects further this with a "projectile-species" scan at RHIC
- For QGP-induced E-loss:
 - → R_{pAu} > R_{dAu} > R_{3He+Au} (central events)
- For a shrinking proton size, effect washed out by 1/A_{projectile}:
 - → R_{pAu} < R_{dAu} < R_{3He+Au} (central events)
- After tuning a simple model to d+Au,
 predict p+Au and ³He+Au
 - → DVP, J. Nagle, D. McGlinchey, nucl-th/1603.06607



Jet suppression in Cu+Au



- Preliminary measurement of R_{AA} in relatively novel system
 - \rightarrow in 0-20% collisions, $R_{AA}\sim$ 0.5 and is p_T -independent
 - \rightarrow differential suppression with increasing N_{part}
- For more information, see *QM15 talk & proceedings by A. Timilsina*

Summary

- Progress on jet measurements in small and large systems with PHENIX detector
 - → good guidance for <u>future heavy</u> <u>ion jet program at RHIC</u>



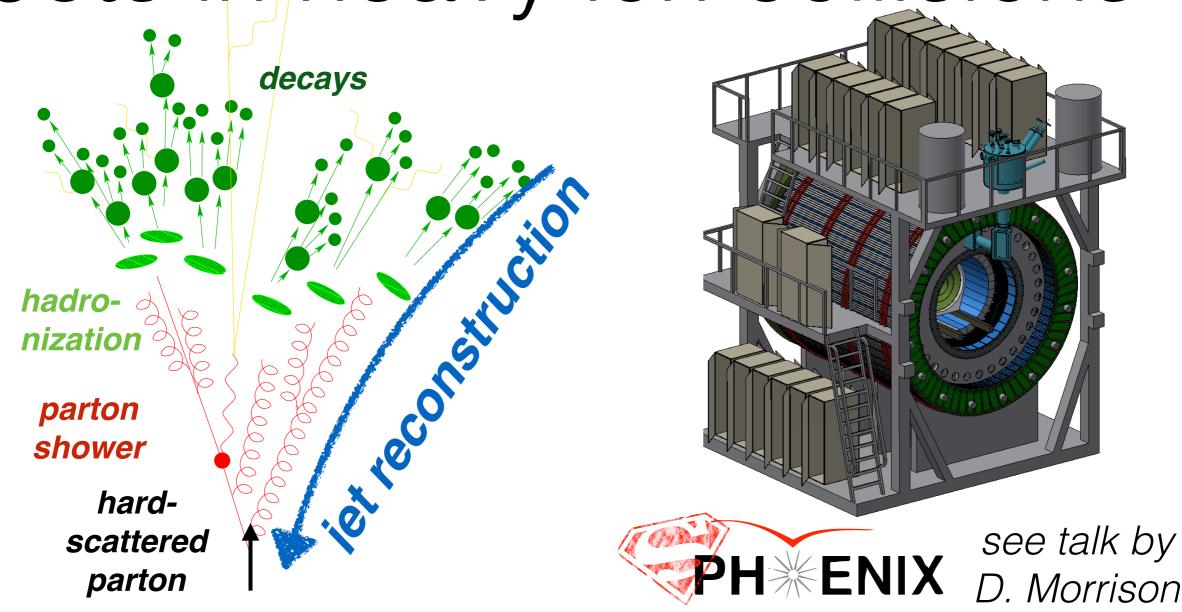
- → <u>limits on initial/final state energy</u> loss over wide p_T
- Surprising, unexpected centrality dependence
 - → one possibility: are we sensitive to the fact that <u>large-x nucleons are "smaller" than average</u>?
- Preliminary measurement of jet suppression in Cu+Au

see talk by

D. Morrison

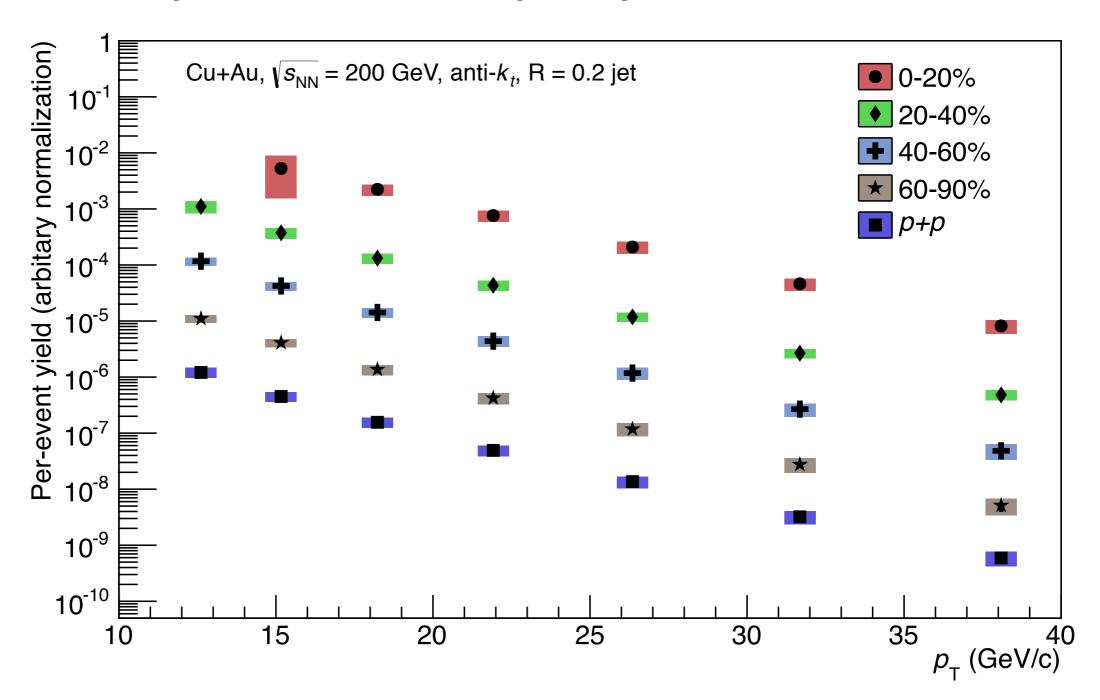
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Jets in heavy ion collisions



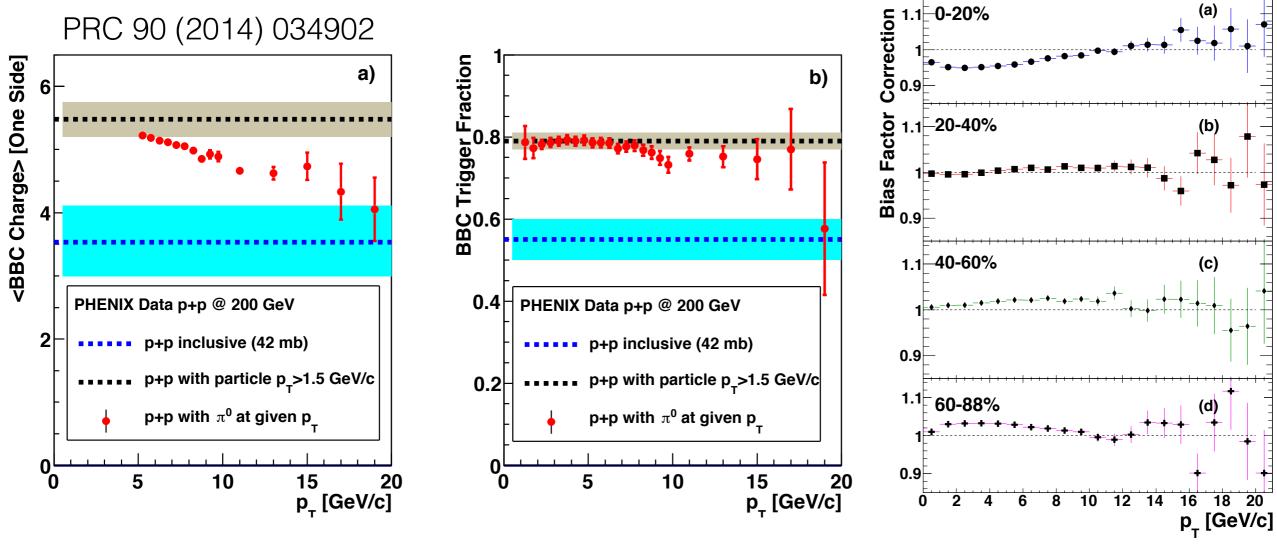
- Jets are most abundant final-state QCD object
- Full jet reconstruction difficult but rewarding in HI collisions
 - → in this talk, *progress in jets from PHENIX at RHIC*

Jet spectra in p+p and Cu+Au

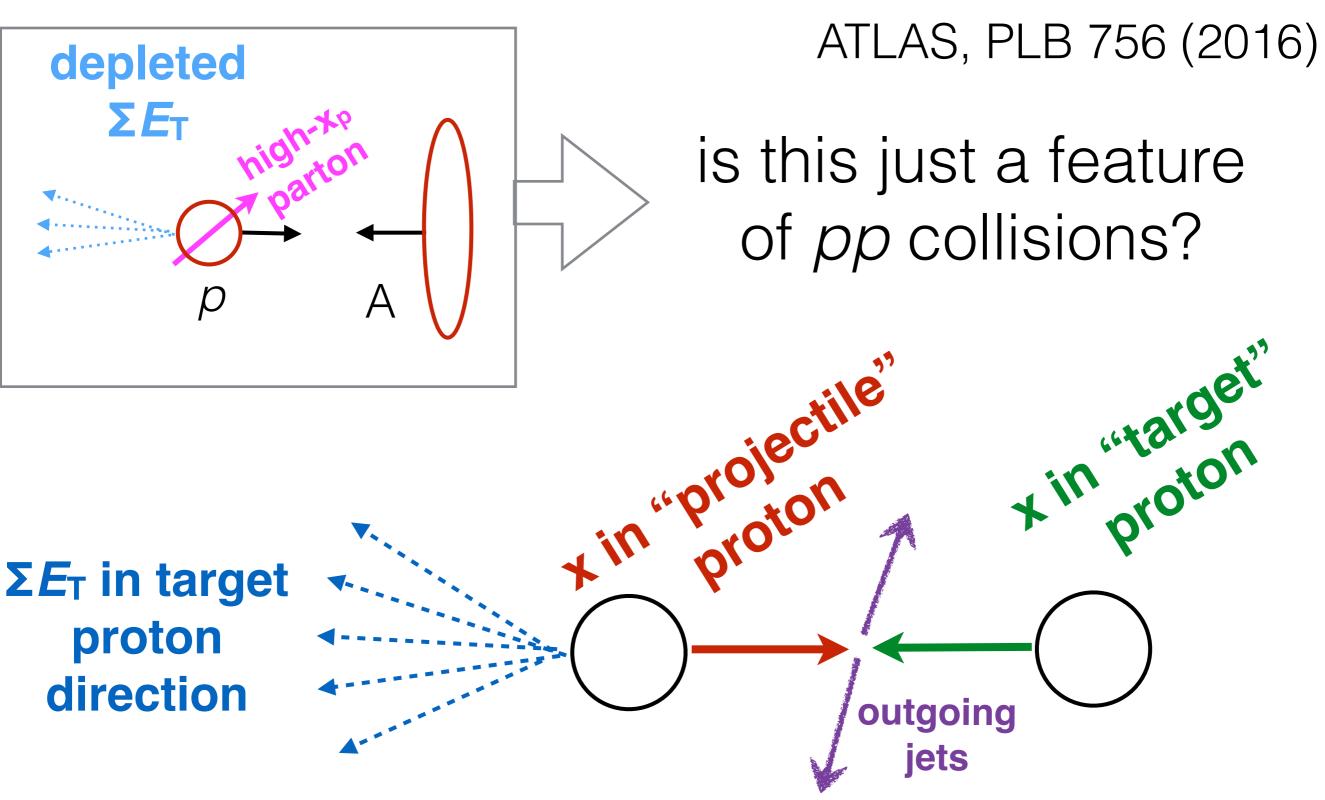


- For preliminary results, arbitrary normalization, but <u>p+p-to-Cu</u> +Au normalization is fixed
- Expanded systematics for low-p_T jets in most central events 20

Centrality w/ hard processes

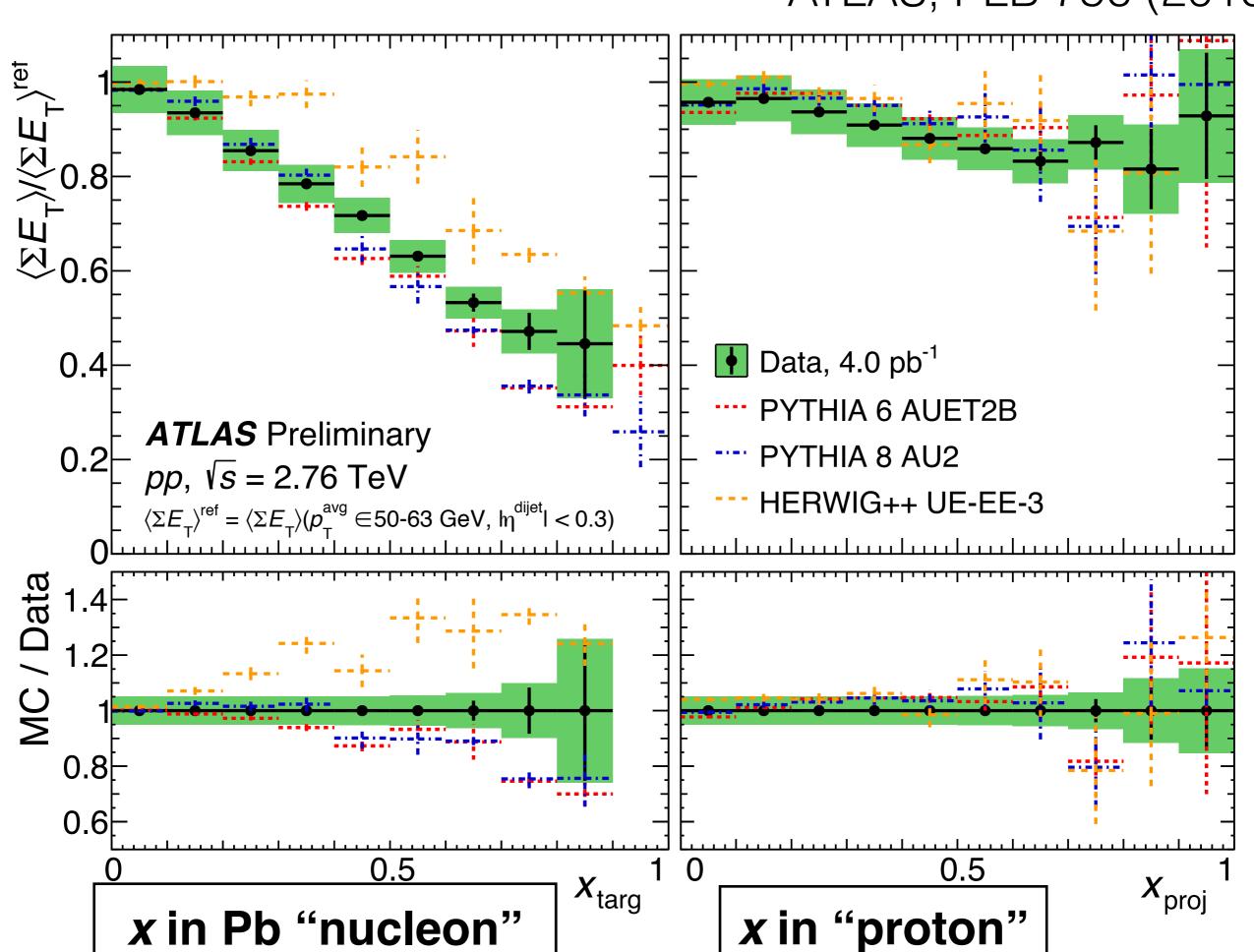


- Could this be a bias or auto-correlation between the centrality signal and the presence of a hard scattering?
 - → PHENIX published PRC 90 (2014) 034902 to address this point with p+p data and d+Au simulation
- Conclusion: there is a small bias which, when corrected for, <u>magnifies the results</u>, even for very high-p_T processes

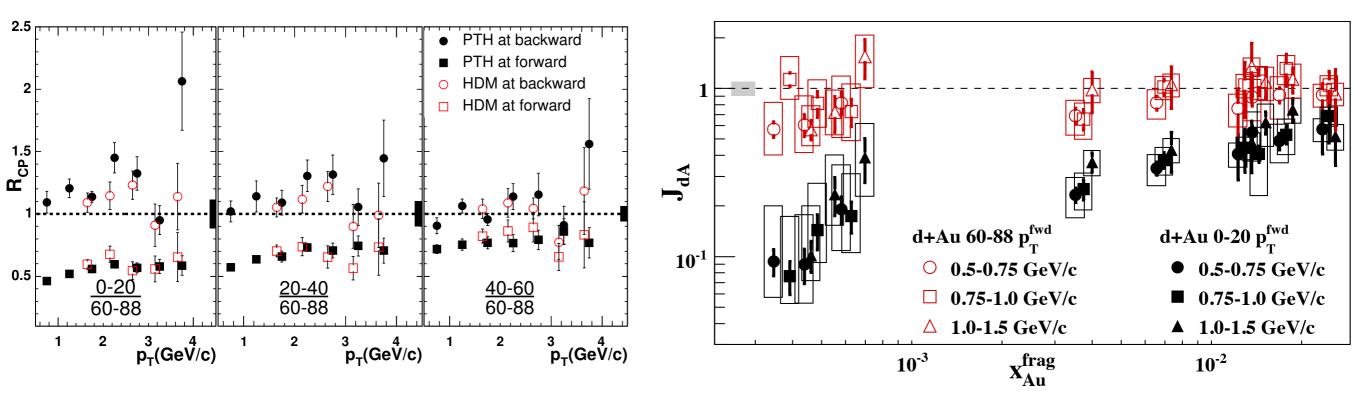


Measure ΣΕ_T at large pseudorapidity vs. **x** in the **projectile** proton (moving away) **x** in the **target** proton (moving towards)

ATLAS, PLB 756 (2016)



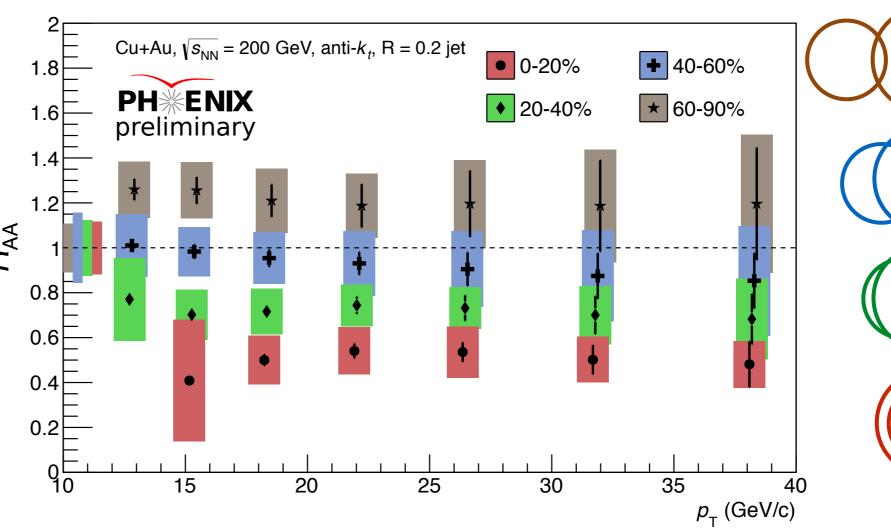
New angle on previous data?



- Strong *centrality dependence* in forward hadron and dihadron production in d+Au
 - \rightarrow even though $\langle b \rangle$ does not change so much
 - → attributed by many to low nuclear-x effects (CGC?), but kinematic region also associated with large deuteron-x
- My two cents: there's an overall suppression, but most of the centrality "dependence" is from large x_d , **not** small x_{Au} 24

Jet suppression in Cu+Au

 $Cu+Au\ yield$ $R_{AA} = dN/dp_T$ $/\ T_{AA} \times d\sigma/dp_T$ $nuclear\ p+p$ $overlap\ x-sect.$



• Differential, centrality-dependent suppression of N_{coll} -scaled yield

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- \rightarrow peripheral events just consistent with $R_{AA} = 1$
- → factor of 2 suppression in central events
- Interestingly, flat with p_T